

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

1. (Canceled).
2. (Canceled).
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9. (Canceled).
10. (Original) A method for creating an operating system image, the image having integrated updates, the method comprising:
 - removing the source file of the operating system;
 - extracting an update file from an operating system update;
 - writing the update file over a corresponding operating system file;
 - booting the operating system; and
 - registering the update with the operating system.
11. (Original) The method of Claim 10 wherein the operating system comprises a primary source file and a secondary source file and wherein:
 - removing the source file further comprises removing the primary source file; and

writing the update file further comprises writing a source file update over the secondary source file.

12. (Original) The method of Claim 11 wherein the primary source file comprises DLLCACHE and the secondary source file comprises I386.

13. (Previously Presented) The method Claim 10 wherein the update comprises a Quick Fix Engineering (QFE).

14. (Original) The method of Claim 10 wherein extracting an update file further comprises extracting a signature file to support recognition of the update file by the operating system.

15. (Original) The method of Claim 10 further comprising running an alternate operating system to perform the removing, extracting and writing.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 10 further comprising:
imaging the booted operating system; and
using the image to manufacture information handling systems.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 10 further comprising:
identifying a plurality of updates as security updates and non-security updates;
selecting the security updates for the extracting and writing; and
installing the non-security updates after boot of the operating system.

18. (Original) The method of Claim 17 wherein the security updates are patches to protect worm vulnerabilities.

19. (Canceled).

20. (Canceled).